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In re Application of:

LADNER, et al.

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## Sir:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 34, lines 24-27, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--BPTI

Bovine pancreatic trypsin inhibitor, identical to aprotinin (Merck Index, entry 784, p.119 (SEQ ID NO:44))--

Please replace the paragraph on page 38, lines 10-18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

- --A candidate IPBD should meet the following criteria:
- 1) a domain exists that will remain stable under the conditions of its intended use (the domain may comprise the entire protein that will be inserted, <u>e.g.</u> BPTI (SEQ ID NO:44),  $\alpha$ -conotoxin GI, or CMTI-III),
- 2) knowledge of the amino acid sequence is obtainable, and
- 3) a molecule is obtainable having specific and high affinity for the IPBD, AfM (IPBD).--

Please replace the paragraph on pages 50-51, lines 18-34 and 1-8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Polypeptides of this size, however, have disadvantages as binding molecules. According to Olivera <u>et al.</u> (OLIV90a): "Peptides in this size range normally equilibrate among may

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[ ] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR Section 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR Section 1.18.

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